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### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

#### **Claim Amendments**

The Applicant has added new Claims 48-62 and Claims 1-47 have been cancelled. Applicant respectfully submits no new matter has been added. Accordingly, Claims 48-62 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

#### **Examiner Objections – Drawings**

The drawings were objected to because they were informal. In response, the Applicant is submitting "formal" replacement sheets. The Examiner's approval of these drawings is respectfully requested.

#### **Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Claim 22 has been canceled rendering the rejection of that claim moot.

#### **Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)**

Claims 1, 3-5, 7-12, 18-21 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat et al. (US 6,563,517 hereinafter Bhagwat). The applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of these claims.

Claims 1, 3-5, 7-12, 18-21 and 26 have been canceled. Therefore, the rejection with respect to these claims is deemed to be moot. The Examiner's consideration of the new claims is respectfully requested.

#### **Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a)**

Claims 2 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat in view of Savitzky, et al. (US 6,571,271 hereinafter Savitzky).

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Claims 13-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat in view of Haeberli (US 6,587,596 hereinafter Haeberli).

Claims 16, 17, 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat in view of Mohan et al. (IEEE Transactions on Multimedia, 1520-9210/99, hereinafter Mohan).

Claim 25 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat in view of Tracton et al. (US 6,470,378 hereinafter Tracton).

Claim 27 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhagwat in view of Gersbach et al. (US 5,418,789 hereinafter Gersbach).

In order to expedite allowance of this application, the Applicant has canceled claims 1-47 without prejudice. The cancellation of these claims renders moot the above 103(a) rejection of claims 2, 6, 13-17, 23-25 and 27.

The Applicant has added new claims 41-62 to better define the intended scope of the claimed invention. The Examiner's consideration of the new claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 28-47 stand rejected because they do not teach any new limitations above claims 1-27. As noted above, claims 28-47 have been canceled and the Applicant respectfully requests the consideration of the new claims.


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### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicant believes all of the claims currently pending in the Application to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and issue a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims.

The Applicant requests a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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